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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE DECISION OF THE EXAMINER
TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

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In compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 41.31(a)(1), Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated September 25, 2006, of the Examiner rejecting claims 1-12 of the above-identified patent application.

No extension of time is necessary to respond to the Examiner's rejection.

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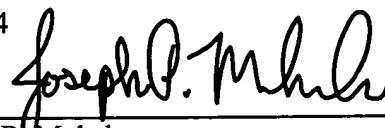
A Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review is submitted herewith.

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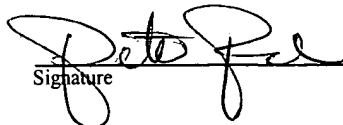
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